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CHAPTER 252.

AN ACT to authorize the city treasurers of cities of the first class to receive moneys for taxes in advance of the time for the payment of the same, and to issue interest bearing certificates therefor.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

The city treasurers of all cities of Treasurers to SECTION 1. the first class in this state, are hereby authorized gotiable certo receive from any tax-payer or tax-payers of tificates for taxes received such city such sums of money in advance of the in advance. time for payment of taxes for the current year as may be tendered for that purpose, not however exceeding in amount the sum which it is anticipated shall be due or payable by such tax-payer or tax-payers for taxes for such current year, and to issue and to deliver to such tax-payer or taxpayers a negotiable certificate in writing, signed by such treasurer, and countersigned by the city comptroller or auditing officer of such city, stating therein the amount of such advance payment, and that such city will pay to such tax-payer or tax-payers, or his or their order, the sum of money therein stated, on January 15th of the year following the date of such certificate together with interest thereon at such rate per annum as such city shall then be receiving upon its daily balances from the bank or banks in which the money of said city belonging to its general or trust funds may be deposited, not, however, exceeding the rate of three per centum per annum.

All acts, or parts of acts, including the provision of any city charter which contravene the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed,

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force, from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 253.

AN ACT relative to the vacation of towns by county boards, and to be made section 671a of the Wisconsin statutes of 1898.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Petition for vacation, and election on.

SECTION 1. Section 671a. When thirty or more freeholders, residents of any town, and at least one-third of the legal voters thereof, shall petition the county board for a vacation of such town, such petitioners shall at least twenty days before the next annual town meeting, file the copy of such petition with the clerk of such town, who shall at least ten days before such town meeting, give notice that the question of the vacation of such town will be voted upon at such meeting, by posting the notice thereof in four public places in such town; the voting shall be by ballot and those voting in favor of the vacation shall vote a ballot containing the words "for vacation," and those voting against vacation, a ballot containing the words "against vacation." a majority of the votes cast shall be in favor of vacation, the town clerk shall certify the fact to the county clerk, and thereupon the county board shall have power to vacate such town accordingly.